Brian Schweitzer, Governor

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Newspapers: Dillon, Butte, Virginia City

RE: Legal Notice on Five Year Bond Calculation for Barretts Minerals, Inc. (Barretts Mill)

Dear Editor:

Please place the following notice in the next legal publication section of your Sunday newspaper or weekly addition:

## Legal Notice

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed a five-year comprehensive bond review of the Barretts Minerals Inc. (Operating Permit 00009), talc mill and associated disturbances located about eight miles south of Dillon, MT, in Sec 17, T8S, R9W. DEQ has determined that an increase in bond is necessary.

The current bond amount is \$209,100. DEQ proposes to increase the bond to \$571,711. A portion of this increase (\$151,748) is additional bond that Barretts Minerals Inc. must submit as a result of DEQ's approval of Amendment 005 to Operating Permit 00009. That amendment added an additional 18.5 acres of disturbance to the permit area. The remaining portion of the increase (\$210,863) reflects an increase in the cost of reclaiming the previously permitted disturbances.

A copy of the bond calculations that form the basis for the proposed bond determination can be obtained by contacting the Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Management Bureau, P. O. Box 200901, 1520 E. Sixth Ave., Helena, MT 59620-0901, or by calling Herb Rolfes at (406) 444-3841 or email at <a href="mailto:hrolfes@mt.gov">hrolfes@mt.gov</a>. Comments must be received by April 13, 2009.

To expedite payment, please send your *invoice, tear sheet, and affidavit of publication* to DEQ at the address above to the attention of **Laura Turner**. Please indicate that the bill applies to EMB #5039-0134. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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